

[20th September 1958]

Modern High School, Kodambakkam

* 380 Q.—SRI K. VINAYAKAM AND SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that salaries were not paid to the teachers of Modern High School, Kodambakkam, Madras, for the past one year;

(b) whether the teachers waited in deputation on the Minister for Education, and if so, with what results;

(c) whether the Government propose to make arrangements for the payment of salaries to the teachers concerned directly, instead of through the Manager or the Correspondent concerned;

(d) when was the last instalment of teaching grant issued to the Correspondent of the school; and

(e) whether the salaries have been paid to the teachers concerned out of that grant?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (a) & (b) In May last it was represented that the teachers of the Modern High School, Kodambakkam, Madras, were not generally paid their salaries properly by the management.

(c) A report was called for from the Director in the matter. On the basis of the report of the Director of Public Instruction, the Government passed orders approving his proposal for the payment of the salaries of the teachers direct to them instead of through the Manager or the Correspondent concerned. Steps have also been taken by the Director for making direct payment of salaries to the teachers.

(d) In March 1957, a sum of Rs. 3,341 was paid as advance teaching grant to the Correspondent of the school.

(e) No, Sir.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: May I know, Sir, whether any action was taken for mismanagement?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: Yes, Sir. We called for a report from the Director of Public Instruction. The report is awaited.

SRI M. WILLIAM: May I know from the Hon. Minister whether the P.S.S. scheme (Private Secondary School Scheme) introduced by the erstwhile Travancore-Cochin State and now in vogue in Kanyakumari district will be followed here also?

MR. SPEAKER: How does that question arise out of the main question? The main question relates to Kodambakkam. The hon. Member is referring to Kanyakumari. Kodambakkam and Kanyakumari are far away from one another.

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SRI T. T. DANIEL : Sir, in view of the fact that in several schools, the managements do not pay regularly the actual salary which they are bound to pay to the teachers, will the Government think of the desirability of going into the question and evolve a scheme for the proper payment of salaries to the teachers?

MR. SPEAKER : Will the hon. Member tell me the scheme to which he is referring? In the question I do not see any scheme. The hon. Member may put a separate question.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Sir, arising out of the answer given by the Hon. Minister, it is seen that a specified sum was granted towards teaching grant. That was not paid to the teachers. What action is being taken by the Government to realise that sum which was taken away by the management instead of being paid to the teachers for whom it was meant?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No, Sir. We do not pay a grant for any particular purpose. It is a general grant on a certain basis. Therefore, how the management utilises that amount is quite a different matter altogether. But here the specific complaint is that it (the management) has not been paying the teachers. This is under consideration.

SRI K. ANBAZHAGAN : கோடம்பாக்கம் உயர்நிலைப்பள்ளி ஆசிரியர்களிலே பலர் 10, 12 மாதமாக சம்பளம் வராது பாக்கியுள்ள நிலையில் இருக்கின்றதனால் ஏராளமாகக் கடன் வாங்கி கஷ்டத்திற்குள்ளாகியிருக்கிறார்கள். அரசாங்கம் இவர்களுக்கு ஏதேனும் கடன் கொடுத்து உதவி செய்யுமா?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : இப்போது அது மாதிரி திட்டம் ஒன்றும் அரசாங்கத்தினுடைய பரிசீலனையில் இல்லை. இந்தப் பள்ளி ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு, கொடுக்கக்கூடிய கிராண்டிலிருந்து, நேரடியாகக் கொடுக்க ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்பட்டிருக்கிறது.

MR. SPEAKER : I may suggest to hon. Members Sri Daniel and Sri William to put separate questions as I feel their supplementaries do not arise out of the answer to this question.

Singipettai inam lands

* 381 Q.—**SRI K. VINAYAKAM :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any petition through the Chief Minister from the ryots who cultivate the inam lands in Singipettai, Bhavani taluk, Coimbatore district;

(b) the nature of the grievances mentioned therein; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) No, Sir,

(b) & (c) Do not arise,